

JANICE K. BREWER Governor

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

April 29, 2011

The Honorable Ken Bennett Secretary of State 1700 W. Washington, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor Phoenix, Arizona 85007

RE: Senate Bill 1331 (polling places; political parties; organization)

Dear Secretary Bennett:

Today I vetoed Senate Bill 1331 relating to the organization of political parties.

The bill places several restrictions on the role of precinct committeemen by limiting the period of time when a vacant precinct committeeman position can be filled, stipulating the start and end dates of the term of office and specifying voting eligibility in a county committee. I am concerned that these provisions inappropriately interfere with internal party operations.

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cc:

The Honorable Russell Pearce The Honorable Andy Tobin The Honorable Frank Antenori Senate Secretary Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives

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